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Introduction

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Domestic Violence is a complex issue that is distinguished by physically and/or emotionally harmful acts by one intimate partner against another. Domestic violence may include verbal abuse, denial of access to resources, restraint of normal activities (including isolation from friends and family), sexual coercion or assault, threats to kill or to harm, and physical intimidation or attacks. Domestic violence occurs regardless of culture, ethnicity or socioeconomic class.

Victims of domestic violence may experience long-term and/or short-term effects. These include physical injuries as well as psychological problems. Physical injuries can range from lacerations and bruises to death, while psychological problems include depression, eating disorders and alcohol and substance abuse. Nationally, domestic violence related health care costs are estimated to be more than \$5.8 billion annually (Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, 2003). These costs include direct medical and mental health care costs as well as indirect costs from lost productivity or wages.

Domestic violence can have devastating effects on children residing in the household. Children who witness domestic violence may similarly experience depression and psychological distress and are more likely than other children to be physically violent (<u>Violence Prevention Fund</u>, 2002).

Legislation, at both the State and Federal levels, has increasingly focused on holding batterers accountable while strongly supporting victims of domestic violence and their children in seeking safety and self-sufficiency. Governor Pataki's commitment to the protection of victims of domestic violence and his push for "zero tolerance" of domestic violence has made New York State a national leader in the fight to increase offender accountability and promote victim safety. This has been accomplished through training and public awareness campaigns, support for victims services as well as groundbreaking legislation.

Specialized programs are necessary to support victims and their children in their pursuit of safety and self-sufficiency. Residential and non-residential domestic violence services programs are critical components in the continuum of services. Confidential and secure shelters and services, offering short-term relief and options, can often alleviate the need for more costly interventions and can ultimately mean the difference between life and death.

Recognizing the importance of these specialized services, the Domestic Violence Prevention Act of 1987 established mechanisms to enhance the quality and viability of the shelter and services system. The Domestic Violence Prevention Act requires local social service districts to provide residential and non-residential services to victims of domestic violence regardless of their financial eligibility and provides mechanisms for reimbursement to service providers. As a result of the Act, three sets of regulations were promulgated:

- **X** Parts 452-455 of 18 NYCRR establishing the standards for the operation of residential programs for victims of domestic violence;
- ₩ Part 462 of 18 NYCRR establishing the standards for non-residential services to victims of domestic violence; and
- **28** Part 408 of 18 NYCRR regarding the establishment of per diem rates and social service district responsibility for financial and contractual arrangements with providers of residential services to victims of domestic violence.

The primary ongoing responsibilities of the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) in relation to the statewide domestic violence system include:

- # Licensing residential programs for victims of domestic violence;
- **M** Monitoring and providing technical assistance to local districts and approved residential and non-residential programs for victims of domestic violence;
- **X** Establishing the per diem rate of reimbursement for each approved residential program on an annual basis;
- **X** Administering Federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act funds;
- **X** Overseeing the county planning process as it relates to the approval of non-residential domestic violence services programs; and
- # Providing financial reimbursement to social services districts for residential and non-residential domestic violence services.

Additionally, the Domestic Violence Prevention Act requires an annual report to the Governor and Legislature regarding implementation of the Act. OCFS collects monthly data, from all approved domestic violence providers, which is aggregated on an annual basis for report purposes. This report is the culmination of that data for calendar year 2003. For comparison purposes, in some tables, 2002 data is also presented.

Statewide Domestic Violence Statistics

Statewide Domestic Violence Statistics

Three categories of programs are included in the Domestic Violence Prevention Act:

- **Non-Residential Programs for Victims of Domestic Violence not-for-profit organizations or public agencies providing telephone hotline assistance, information, referral, counseling, advocacy, community education and outreach services. Seventy percent (70%) of the population served by each program must be victims of domestic violence.
- ₩ Residential Programs for Victims of Domestic Violence as defined below, and
- Iransitional Housing Programs programs which are not defined in the regulations, but that have emerged to address the longer-term housing and service needs of victims of domestic violence after leaving emergency residential programs.

The Domestic Violence Program Regulations (18 NYCRR Parts 452-455) define four types of Residential Programs for Victims of Domestic Violence:

- **#** Domestic Violence Shelters congregate facilities of ten beds or more for victims of domestic violence and their children only;
- **X** Domestic Violence Programs similar to shelters except that up to thirty percent (30%) of the residents may be other than victims of domestic violence;
- **X** Safe Dwellings self contained units of nine beds or less for domestic violence victims and their children only; and
- **X** Safe Home Networks clusters of private homes providing emergency services and shelter to victims of domestic violence coordinated by a not-for-profit organization.

The Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) is responsible for approving (licensing) residential programs for victims of domestic violence. *Table 1* below shows the number of residential programs approved by OCFS as of December 31, 2003 (Refer to Appendix A for a listing of OCFS Regional Offices that license the programs and the counties for which they are responsible).

Table 1: The total number of approved residential programs and beds for victims of domestic violence in New York State by Regional Office.

| | | For Victim | Residential F as of Domestic December 31, | Violence | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------------|---|----------|-------|---------|---------------------|
| | Regional Office | | | | | | |
| | Buffalo | Rochester | Syracuse | Albany | NYC | Yonkers | Statewide Totals |
| DV Program | | | | | | | |
| Programs | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7 |
| Beds | 13 | 14 | 82 | 0 | 60 | 0 | 169 |
| DV Shelter | | | | | | | |
| Shelters | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 24 | 12 | 46 |
| Beds | 36 | 65 | 20 | 79 | 1,369 | 188 | 1,757 |
| Safe Dwelling | | | | | | | |
| Dwellings | 9 | 1 | 11 | 10 | 45 | 1 | 77 |
| Beds | 73 | 9 | 87 | 99 | 325 | 9 | 602 |
| Safe Home Network | | | | | | | |
| Networks | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 12 |
| Homes | 13 | 15 | 22 | 0 | 24 | 30 | 104 |
| Total Licensed Facilities | 13 | 6 | 18 | 15 | 74 | 16 | 142 |
| Total Beds | 135 | 103 | 211 | 178 | 1,778 | 227 | 2,632 |
| (excluding safe home beds) | | | | | | | |

The number of safe home beds has been excluded from the total because safe home networks are licensed for a maximum number of homes rather than bed capacity. According to *Table 1*, just under seventy percent (70%) of the emergency shelter beds in the State are in New York City. Except for Hamilton and Schuyler counties, which do not have residential services located within the county, and thus provide these services pursuant to contracts

with Domestic Violence providers, all counties have at least one residential program. The statewide bed capacity has increased by 124 beds since January 2003.

"The Number of Persons Estimated to Have Been Assisted in Programs Covered by this Article" (Domestic Violence Prevention Act)

Table 2: The number of adults and children assisted in residential, non-residential and transitional housing programs during 2002 and 2003.

| Program Admissions | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|------|
| Residential Non-Residential | | | | Trans | itional | |
| | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 |
| Adults – | 5,882 | 5,959 | 24,282 | 25,168 | 375 | 304 |
| Children | 7,588 | 7,480 | 14,646 | 11,977 | 568 | 477 |
| Total | 13,470 | 13,439 | 38,928 | 37,145 | 943 | 781 |

Residential Admissions remained fairly stable from 2002 to 2003, showing just a slight decrease. The trend established in 2002 for non-residential data continued in 2003 as statistics decreased for a second year in a row. Adult non-residential data continued to increase and children's non-residential data fell, this may simply reflect more accurate data collection. Programs are continually trained to report only children they actually serve rather then the entire number of children in a family unit. Thus, the numbers may not reflect an actual decrease in victims receiving services. Transitional Housing admissions decreased by 162 in 2003. A reversal in data reported last year as Transitional Housing admissions increased in 2002 by 200 admissions. This is due in part to the closure of one Transitional Housing Program in 2003. (For more details on Transitional Housing Admissions, refer to *Appendix D*.)

"The Number of Persons Estimated to Have Been Denied Shelter and/or Services"

Table 3: The number of adults and children denied shelter in a residential program for victims of domestic violence by denial reason in New York City.

| New York City Denials | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | 2002 | | 2003 | |
| Denial Reasons | <u>Adults</u> | <u>Children</u> | <u>Adults</u> | <u>Children</u> |
| Facility at capacity (no beds available) | 1,466 | 1,183 | 1,580 | 1,863 |
| Family too large (insufficient # of beds) | 155 | 349 | 144 | 415 |
| Facility can not address substance and/or alcohol abuse needs | 17 | 26 | 36 | 59 |
| Likely to interfere w/health & safety of others | 25 | 41 | 20 | 31 |
| Refused to cooperate w/program rules or policy | 251 | 358 | 332 | 485 |
| Unsafe location for family | 1,123 | 1,417 | 1,716 | 2,322 |
| Family reached permissible stay limit | 24 | 32 | 18 | 27 |
| Special needs cannot be met | 205 | 312 | 266 | 358 |
| Other | 443 | 546 | 570 | 871 |
| Total Denials | 3,709 | 4,264 | 4,682 | 6,431 |

Table 4: The number of adults and children denied shelter in a residential program for victims of domestic violence by denial reason in the Rest of the State.

| Rest of State Denials | | | | |
|---|---------------|----------|---------------|-----------------|
| | 2002 2003 | | | 003 |
| Denial Reasons | <u>Adults</u> | Children | <u>Adults</u> | <u>Children</u> |
| Facility at capacity (no beds available) | 3,839 | 4,853 | 3,299 | 3,676 |
| Family too large (insufficient # of beds) | 1,043 | 2,478 | 1,135 | 2,499 |
| Facility can not address substance and/or alcohol abuse needs | 249 | 180 | 132 | 92 |
| Likely to interfere w/health & safety of others | 106 | 50 | 117 | 72 |
| Refused to cooperate w/program rules or policy | 219 | 229 | 136 | 84 |
| Unsafe location for family | 124 | 132 | 136 | 133 |
| Family reached permissible stay limit | 3 | 2 | 6 | 2 |
| Special needs cannot be met | 220 | 130 | 211 | 114 |
| Other | 1,614 | 1,045 | 1,010 | 591 |
| Total Denials | 7,417 | 9,099 | 6,182 | 7,263 |

New York City denials have increased and Rest of State denial data shows a decrease from 2002. Total denials decreased statewide between 2002 and 2003.

Over the past few years, shelter providers have noted an increase in victims with more intensive service needs. In 2003, the most common reasons for "other" denials included programs not being able to meet a physically challenged client's special needs and/or mental health issues, at a particular site or facility.

It should also be noted that the denial data does not take into account duplicate requests where a victim was denied by more then one residential program as well as probable multiple denials in New York City as clients could be denied by the hotline and also by individual programs.

Note: Denials from non-residential programs are not collected because information and referral is a core service requirement of a non-residential program. Transitional housing programs are also excluded because housing requests are usually based on the availability of a bed.

"The Amount of Public and Private Funds for Approved Program by Service Type on an Annual Basis"

Annually, OCFS is responsible for establishing the daily rate of reimbursement (the per diem) for each residential program. Local districts contract with residential programs at the established per diem rate (see Appendix E). Per diem rates are reimbursed through public assistance funding streams and are paid to providers by the local social service districts. Where a resident is not eligible for public assistance reimbursement, Title XX funds may be available. If a district has exhausted its Title XX funds, state and local funds are available. The primary funding source for non-residential programs is through individually negotiated contracts with the social service district using Title XX funds.

On an annual basis, OCFS collects comprehensive financial information from all approved residential programs. Financial information is not collected from non-residential programs that operate separately from a residential program. Due to the established timeframes for the submittal of cost reports by providers for rate setting purposes, the financial information presented in the annual report is lagged by one year. As a result, the financial data contained in this annual report incorporates the most current information received from domestic violence providers, which is for fiscal periods ending in 2002.

The aggregate of the financial information for 2002, collected from individual providers, is shown in the following chart.

Table 5: The total of residential and non-residential program revenues received for 2002.

| Total Residential and Non-Residential Program Revenues | | | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|--|--|
| Residential Programs Non-Residential Programs | | | | |
| Government Revenue | \$46,802,976 | \$32,588,207 | | |
| Private Revenue | \$ 2,450,910 | \$ 6,769,405 | | |
| Totals | \$49,253,886 | \$39,357,612 | | |

Revenues from government sources include per diems and government grants (typically from OCFS, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, New York State Crime Victims Board, and social services districts). Residential revenues steadily increased from over \$42 million in 2001 to over \$49 million in 2002. During 2002 several new residential programs opened (see The Domestic Violence Prevention Act 2002 Annual Report to the Governor And Legislature). This accounts for the increase in revenues reported. Non-residential revenues slightly decreased from \$39,497,668 in 2001 to \$39,357,612 in 2002.

"The Amount of Funding Used for Administration and Staffing of Such Programs"

Based on the financial reports submitted by service providers for 2002, the amount of funds allocated to administration and staffing (personnel) expenses is identified below. Administration and staffing includes direct services staff, executive staff, support and supervisory staff. Non-personnel costs are also shown below and typically include rent, travel, printing and postage, supplies, equipment, telephone and utility costs.

Table 6: The amount of funds allocated to residential and non-residential program expenses for 2002.

| Total Residential and Non-Residential Program Expenses | | | | |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| | Residential Programs | Non-Residential Programs | | |
| Personnel Expenses | \$32,845,356 | \$27,470,826 | | |
| Non-Personnel Expenses | \$18,297,838 | \$9,841,755 | | |
| Totals | \$51,143,194 | \$37,312,581 | | |

In comparing Tables 5 and 6, total residential program expenses exceeded revenues by almost \$2 million and non-residential programs report a combined surplus in an equivalent amount. Most residential programs operate at a slight deficit. Typically, non-residential programs are administered by the same agency operating the residential program. On a system wide basis, total revenues and expenditures are balanced.

"The Occupancy Rate and Length of Stay by Residential Program"

The average annual occupancy rate and length of stay is reported for each individual program in *Appendix B* and *Appendix C*. The formula used to determine the occupancy rate is:

Bed Nights Utilized ÷ (Licensed Capacity × Days in Year)

Table 7: Based on individually reported data, below are the average annual occupancy rates by program type in New York City as compared to the Rest of the State for the years 2002 and 2003.

| Average Occupancy Rates | | | |
|----------------------------|------|------|--|
| New York City | 2002 | 2003 | |
| Domestic Violence Program* | 91% | 85% | |
| Domestic Violence Shelters | 84% | 86% | |
| Safe Dwellings | 77% | 82% | |
| Rest of State | | | |
| Domestic Violence Programs | 52% | 43% | |
| Domestic Violence Shelters | 66% | 76% | |
| Safe Dwellings | 49% | 40% | |

^{*} Represents one facility

Note: Occupancy rates for safe homes have been excluded because the total number of safe homes available per program varies on a daily basis.

In accordance with program regulations, the length of stay policy can be individually determined through contractual arrangements between the district and provider. However, the length of stay reimbursement cannot exceed 90 days with up to one 45-day extension under limited circumstances.

Table 8: Based on individually reported data, below is the average annual length of stay by program type in New York City as compared to the Rest of the State during 2002 and 2003.

| Average Length of Stay (in bednights) | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|------|--|--|--|--|
| New York City | 2002 | 2003 | | | | |
| Domestic Violence Program* | 67 | 60 | | | | |
| Domestic Violence Shelters | 94 | 91 | | | | |
| Safe Dwellings | 105 | 103 | | | | |
| Safe Home Networks | 17 | 86 | | | | |
| Rest of State | Rest of State | | | | | |
| Domestic Violence Programs | 17 | 16 | | | | |
| Domestic Violence Shelters | 25 | 25 | | | | |
| Safe Dwellings | 21 | 22 | | | | |
| Safe Home Networks | 1 | 2 | | | | |

^{*}Represents one facility

The average length of stay remained fairly constant from 2002 to 2003. Notably, the one exception being New York City Safe Home Networks. Safe homes are typically used as a last resort for a short stay, but in New York City, the safe home model is often structured so that residents can remain for a longer period of time. As a result, the average length of stay for New York City safe homes has continued to increase.

"The Name and Description of New Programs Developed by Service Type"

OCFS is responsible for administering Federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act funds. During 2003, Federal funds were administered equally to all approved residential and non-residential providers in New York State. Each of the 94 applicants in 2003 were eligible to receive an award of up to \$42,901. These funds are used for general operating expenses, health and safety improvements and/or program enhancements.

Several agencies opened new programs in 2003 as follows:

New residential programs:

• Safe Horizons opened Willow House, a 72 bed domestic violence shelter (New York County).

New non-residential programs:

- Edwin Gould Services for Children & Families (New York County).
- Rape & Abuse Crisis Services for Children & Families (Yates County).
- Urban Justice Center (New York County).
- Wyoming County Department of Social Services.

Child Protective/Domestic Violence Collaborative Projects (continuing in 2003)

The goal of these projects is to develop collaborative responses between domestic violence service providers and local district child protective caseworkers. As a result of these projects, a protocol was developed for joint case planning and casework. Workers from both arenas have been collaborating to improve safety and self-sufficiency plans for families experiencing both child abuse and domestic violence.

OFCS has funded twelve CPS/DV collaborations using two funding sources.

The Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funded CPS/DV Collaborative projects are:

- Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence (Nassau County).
- Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency, Inc.(Cayuga County).
- Alternatives for Battered Women, Inc. (Monroe County).
- Equinox, Inc. (Albany County).
- Unity House of Troy (Rensselaer County).
- Catholic Charities of Montgomery County (Montgomery County).
- Rockland Family Shelter (Rockland County).

Additionally, the following five CPS/DV Collaborative projects were continued for a fourth year of funding using Federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act funds:

- Catholic Charities of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, NY (Onondaga County).
- Liberty Resources, Inc. (Madison County).
- My Sister's Place (Westchester County).
- Victims Information Bureau of Suffolk, Inc. (Suffolk County).
- YWCA of Niagara (Niagara County).

The CPS/DV Collaborative projects were one of the recipients of the Governor Pataki's 2003 Justice, Freedom and Courage Awards. On October 7, 2003, the collaborations were presented with the Freedom Award for a community-based project. This prestigious award honors individuals and organizations whose work has been particularly innovative and who exemplify the long-term commitment to ending domestic violence.

"The Name and Description of Programs in Danger of Closing that Received Funds and the Status of Such Programs"

OCFS has not been notified of any approved domestic violence programs in danger of closing in 2003. Factors that have contributed to the stability of programs include mainstream funding available through the per diem and Title XX processes, and the increased availability of Federal funds from OCFS and other state agencies including TANF funding and improvements in cross-county payments.

The Name and Description of Programs that Closed During the Reporting Year and the Reason for Such Closure"

Safe Home Networks are typically used as a last resort and some counties have found it unnecessary to retain this type of model.

Four Safe Home Networks closed across New York State in 2003:

- Community Action Agency of Franklin County.
- Chenango County Catholic Charities.
- Good Shepard Services (New York County).
- The Retreat (Suffolk County).

Also in 2003, A.C.C.O.R.D. Corporation (Allegany County) closed their transitional housing program because of lack of funding and Brighter Tomorrows (Suffolk County) closed their domestic violence program as a result of a fire. They anticipate reopening in mid-April 2004.

"The Number of Individuals Who Requested and Received Transitional Housing Services and the Effect of Providing Such Services to Victims and their Families"

Inadequate housing options coupled with the continued need for support services beyond the emergency shelter stay has led to the development of transitional housing programs. Transitional housing programs are not regulated or monitored by OCFS, but have emerged as an informal alternative to the longer term needs of domestic violence victims. *Appendix D* lists each of the transitional housing programs known to OCFS, the capacity of each, the number of adults and children admitted during the report period, and the destination of residents upon departure. Because only new admissions are reported, these numbers do not reflect the total number of families served during the year.

"The Name and Description of Programs that Received Technical Assistance and the Effect of Such Assistance"

Technical assistance is provided through a variety of sources to all residential and non-residential domestic violence programs. OCFS staff provides on-site monitoring and technical assistance in program and policy development, as well as in licensing, financial and budget matters. The OCFS Bureau of Training and Workforce Development also contracts with the Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (OPDV) to provide training and technical assistance to local districts and to providers. As a result of the technical assistance, providers are able to improve the quality of services offered.

"A Schedule Showing the Approved Daily Rates of Reimbursement Payable to Residential Programs for Victims of Domestic Violence Pursuant to Section 131-u"

In accordance with the Domestic Violence Prevention Act, OCFS is responsible for establishing the daily rate of reimbursement for Residential Programs for Victims of Domestic Violence licensed by OCFS, flat rates are established based upon regulatory requirements, program type, and size, with differential rates for programs operating in New York City versus those programs operating in counties outside of New York City. The flat rates for individual programs are then adjusted downward to recapture any surpluses of government revenue reported by the agency for that program in the prior period. When the current rate methodology was implemented in 1992, residential programs with historical rates that were higher than the newly established flat rates were approved at their historical rate levels. As part of that approved methodology, programs with exempted rates were assured that they would continue to receive those rates until the exempted rates were no longer higher than the flat rates, at which point those programs would be assigned the appropriate flat rates. Appendix E lists the individual rates by program. Rates for programs operating in New York City cover the July 2002 through June 2003 period, and rates for programs operating in the Rest of the State cover calendar year 2003.

Appendices

Appendix A

Counties By Regional Office, 2003

REGIONAL OFFICE

COUNTIES

Albany Regional Office

(ARO)

Albany, Clinton, Columbia, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Hamilton, Montgomery, Otsego, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady,

Schoharie, Warren, Washington

Buffalo Regional Office

(BRO)

Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans,

Wyoming

New York City Regional Office

(NYCRO)

Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, Richmond

Rochester Regional Office

(RRO)

Chemung, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben,

Wayne, Yates

Syracuse Regional Office

(SRO)

Broome, Cayuga, Chenango, Cortland, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, St. Lawrence, Tioga, Tompkins

Yonkers Regional Office

(YRO)

Nassau, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk, Sullivan, Westchester, Orange,

Ulster, Dutchess

Appendix B

2003 Average Annual Occupancy Rate by Individual Program

| AgencyName | Program Type | Annual Occupancy Rate |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------|
| A New Hope Center | Safe Dwelling | 62% |
| ACCORD Corporation | Safe Dwelling | 11% |
| Allen Women's Resource Center | Shelter | 94% |
| Alternatives for Battered Women | Shelter | 90% |
| Behavioral Health Services North - Clinton County | Safe Dwelling | 32% |
| Behavioral Health Services North - Essex County | Safe Dwelling | 1% |
| (Behavioral Health Services was formerly known as Clinton County Mental Health Association) | S | |
| Catholic Charities of Herkimer County | Safe Dwelling | 16% |
| Catholic Charities of Saratoga, Warren & Washington | Safe Dwelling | 72% |
| Catholic Charities of Schoharie County | Safe Dwelling | 67% |
| Catholic Family and Community Services of Montgomery | Safe Dwelling | 55% |
| Cattaraugus Community Action | Safe Dwelling | 39% |
| Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency | Safe Dwelling | 41% |
| Center for the Elimination of Violence in the Family - Women's Safe Start | Shelter | 96% |
| Center for the Elimination of Violence in the Family - Women's Survival Place | Shelter | 97% |
| Chances & Changes | Shelter | 43% |
| Chenango County Catholic Charities | Safe Dwelling | 4% |
| Child & Family Services of Erie County - Haven House | Shelter | 91% |
| City of New York Human Resources Administration - New Days I & II | Shelter (2) | 71% |
| Community Action Agency of Franklin County (COMLINK) | Safe Dwelling | 33% |
| Community Action Commission to Help the Economy (CACHE) | Safe Dwelling | 56% |
| Community Action of Greene County - Columbia County | Shelter | 55% |
| Community Action of Greene County - Greene County | Shelter | 52% |
| Community Services for the Developmentally Disabled | Safe Dwelling | 56% |
| Delaware Opportunities | Safe Dwelling | 7% |
| Domestic Violence Services | Safe Dwelling | 80% |
| Equinox | Shelter | 89% |
| Family & Children's Service of Niagara | Safe Dwelling | 43% |
| Family Counseling Center of Fulton County | Safe Dwelling | 54% |
| Family of Woodstock | Shelter | 61% |
| Food First Family Project - La Familia | Shelter | 91% |
| Food First Family Project - The Family Project | Shelter | 96% |
| Good Shepherd Services - Park Slope Safe Home Project | Safe Dwelling (2) | 90% |
| Grace Smith House - Poughkeepsie | Shelter | 84 % |
| Grace Smith House - Northeast | Shelter | 70% |
| H.E.L.P. Social Services Corporation - Help Haven | Shelter | 84% |
| H.E.L.P. Social Services Corporation - Help Safe Dwelling | Safe Dwelling | 81% |
| Henry Street Settlement | Shelter | 92% |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services - Genesis | Shelter | 97% |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services - Horizons | Shelter | 92% |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services - Transition Center | Safe Dwelling | 80% |
| Lewis County Opportunties | Safe Dwelling | 4% |
| Liberty Resources | Safe Dwelling | 75% |
| My Sister's Place - Yonkers | Shelter | 98% |
| My Sister's Place - Mamaroneck | Shelter | 82 % |
| Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence | Shelter | 81% |
| New York Asian Women's Center | Shelter | 60% |
| New York Asian Women's Center | Safe Dwelling | 62% |

Appendix B

2003 Average Annual Occupancy Rate by Individual Program

| AgencyName | Program Type | Annual Occupancy Rate |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Northern Westchester Shelter | Shelter | 92% |
| Ohel Children's Home & Family Services | Safe Dwelling (2) | 80% |
| Opportunities for Otsego | Safe Dwelling | 56% |
| Orange County Safe Homes Project | Shelter | 54% |
| Oswego County Opportunities | Program | 25% |
| Project Return Foundation | Program | 85% |
| Putnam/Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center | Shelter | 106% |
| Retreat | Shelter | 94% |
| Rockland Family Shelter | Shelter | 111% |
| Rural Opportunities | Safe Dwelling | 29% |
| Safe Horizon - Ivy House I | Shelter | 89% |
| Safe Horizon - Ivy House II | Shelter | 94% |
| Safe Horizon - Lotus House | Shelter | 76% |
| Safe Horizon - Prelude | Shelter | 85% |
| Safe Horizon - Project Oasis | Safe Dwelling | 81% |
| Safe Horizon - Sage House II | Shelter | 87% |
| Safe Horizon - Willow House | Shelter | 76% |
| Salvation Army of Elmira | Shelter | 19% |
| Salvation Army of Jamestown | Program | 65% |
| Sanctuary for Families | Safe Dwelling | 88% |
| Sanctuary for Families | Safe Dwelling | 84% |
| Sanctuary for Families | Safe Dwelling | 84 % |
| Sanctuary for Families at Rosa Parks Place | Shelter | 84% |
| SOS Shelter | Shelter | 39% |
| St. Lawrence Valley Renewal House | Safe Dwelling | 45% |
| Steuben Church People Against Poverty | Program | 28% |
| Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence | Shelter | 94% |
| Tompkins County Task Force for Battered Women | Safe Dwelling | 37% |
| Unity House of Troy | Shelter | 88% |
| Urban Resource Institute - Urban Women's New Beginnings | Shelter | 98% |
| Urban Resource Institute - Urban Women's Retreat | Shelter | 98% |
| Urban Resource Institute - Urban Women's Safe Haven | Shelter | 90% |
| Vera House | Program | 63 % |
| Vera House - North | Safe Dwelling | 43% |
| Victim Resource Center of the Fingerlakes | Safe Dwelling | 28% |
| Victim's Assistance Center of Jefferson County | Program | 15% |
| Violence Intervention Program | Safe Dwelling | 78% |
| Volunteers of America Greater New York | Shelter | 95% |
| Volunteers of America Greater New York | Safe Dwelling | 92% |
| Wyoming County Community Action | Safe Dwelling | 4% |
| YWCA of Cortland, New York | Safe Dwelling | 38% |
| YWCA of Genesee County | Safe Dwelling | 35% |
| YWCA of Niagara | Safe Dwelling | 48% |
| YWCA of Schenectady | Shelter | 88% |
| YWCA of the Mohawk Valley - Hall House | Program | 59% |
| YWCA of the Mohawk Valley | Safe Dwelling | 63 % |

Appendix C

| 2003 Average Annual Length of Stay by I | ndividual Pı | ogram |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
| AgencyName | Program Type | Annual Length of Stay |
| A New Hope Center | Safe Dwelling | 17 |
| A New Hope Center | Safe Home | 2 |
| ACCORD Corporation | Safe Dwelling | 8 |
| Allen Women's Resource Center | Shelter | 58 |
| Alternatives for Battered Women | Shelter | 13 |
| Behavioral Health Services North - Clinton County | Safe Dwelling | 20 |
| Behavioral Health Services North - Essex County | Safe Dwelling | 5 |
| (Behavioral Health Services was formerly known as Clinton County Mental H | lealth Association) | |
| Catholic Charities of Herkimer County | Safe Dwelling | 22 |
| Catholic Charities of Saratoga, Warren & Washington | Safe Dwelling | 39 |
| Catholic Charities of Schoharie County | Safe Dwelling | 29 |
| Catholic Family and Community Services of Montgomery | Safe Dwelling | 18 |
| Cattaraugus Community Action | Safe Dwelling | 17 |
| Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency | Safe Dwelling | 22 |
| Center for the Elimination of Violence in the Family - Women's Safe Start | Shelter | 121 |
| Center for the Elimination of Violence in the Family - Women's Survival Space | Shelter | 105 |
| Chances & Changes | Shelter | 30 |
| Chenango County Catholic Charities | Safe Dwelling | 6 |
| Child & Family Services of Erie County | Safe Home | 17 |
| Child & Family Services of Erie County - Haven House | Shelter | 27 |
| City of New York Human Resources Administration - New Days I & II | Shelter | 61 |
| Community Action Agency of Franklin County (COMLINKS) | Safe Dwelling | 15 |
| Community Action Commission to Help the Economy (CACHE) | Safe Dwelling | 21 |
| Community Action of Greene County - Columbia County | Shelter | 27 |
| Community Action of Greene County - Greene County | Shelter | 32 |
| Community Services for the Developmentally Disabled | Safe Dwelling | 90 |
| Delaware Opportunities | Safe Dwelling | 3 |
| Domestic Violence Services | Safe Dwelling | 28 |
| Equinox | Shelter | 24 |
| Family & Children's Service of Niagara | Safe Dwelling | 12 |
| Family Counseling Center of Fulton County | Safe Dwelling | 22 |
| Family Counseling Service of the Finger Lakes | Safe Home | 1 |
| Family of Woodstock | Shelter | 29 |
| Food First Family Project - La Familia | Shelter | 60 |
| Food First Family Project - The Family Project | Shelter | 66 |
| Good Shepherd Services - Park Slope Safe Home Project | Safe Dwelling | 149 |
| Grace Smith House - Poughkeepsie | Shelter | 34 |
| Grace Smith House - Northeast | Shelter | 31 |
| H.E.L.P. Social Services Corporation - Help Safe Dwelling | Safe Dwelling | 64 |
| H.E.L.P. Social Services Corporation - Help Bate Bweining | Shelter | 121 |
| Henry Street Settlement | Shelter | 92 |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services - Transition Center | Safe Dwelling | 105 |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services - Haistnon Center Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services - Horizons | Shelter | 99 |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services - Genesis | Shelter | 124 |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Safe Dwelling | 5 |
| Lewis County Opportunties | Safe Dwelling | 31 |
| Liberty Resources My Sixter's Place Ventors | Shelter | 65 |
| My Sister's Place - Yonkers | | 36 |
| My Sister's Place - Mamaroneck | Shelter | 56 54 |
| Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence | Shelter | |
| New York Asian Women's Center | Shelter | 132 |
| New York Asian Women's Center - Phoenix House | Shelter | 129 |
| Northern Westchester Shelter | Shelter | 60 |

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| Rockland Family Shelter Shelter 68 |
| Rural Opportunities Safe Dwelling 15 |
| Safe Horizon - Project Oasis Safe Dwelling 107 |
| Safe Horizon - Project Oasis Safe Home Safe Home 84 |
| Safe Horizon - Sage House II Shelter 83 |
| Safe Horizon - Lotus House Shelter 80 |
| Safe Horizon - Ivy House I Shelter 115 |
| Safe Horizon - Ivy House II Shelter 113 |
| Safe Horizon - Prelude Shelter 92 |
| Safe Horizon - Willow House Shelter 79 |
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| St. Lawrence Valley Renewal House Safe Dwelling 15 |
| St. Lawrence Valley Renewal House Safe Home 0 |
| Steuben Church People Against Poverty Program 15 |
| Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence Shelter 27 |
| Tompkins County Task Force for Battered Women Safe Dwelling 24 |
| Unity House of Troy Shelter 29 |
| Urban Resource Institute - Urban Women's Retreat Shelter 97 |
| Urban Resource Institute - Urban Women's Safe Haven Shelter 89 |
| Urban Resource Institute - Urban Women's New Beginnings Shelter 116 |
| Vera House Program 22 |
| Vera House - North Safe Dwelling 40 |
| Victim Resource Center of the Fingerlakes Safe Dwelling 14 |
| Victim's Assistance Center of Jefferson County Program 5 |
| Violence Intervention Program Safe Dwelling 160 |
| Volunteers of America Greater New York Shelter 95 |
| Volunteers of America Greater New York Safe Dwelling 72 |
| Wyoming County Community Action Safe Dwelling 10 |
| Wyoming County Community Action Safe Home 0 |
| YWCA of Cortland, New York Safe Dwelling 19 |
| YWCA of Dutchess County, New York Safe Home 2 |
| YWCA of Genesee County Safe Dwelling 23 |
| YWCA of Niagara Safe Dwelling 19 |
| YWCA of Schenectady Shelter 19 |
| YWCA of the Mohawk Valley - Hall House Program 20 |
| YWCA of the Mohawk Valley Safe Dwelling 24 |

Appendix D

| Transitional Housing Programs, 2003 | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| | Total Bed | Admissions | | Destination of | | |
| Agency Name | Capacity | Adult | Child | Families Discharged | | |
| Brighter Tomorrows | 26 | 15 | 34 | 4-B, 4-C, 2-D, 4-H | | |
| Grace Smith House | 15 | 11 | 20 | 1-A, 3-B, 2-C, 1-D, 1-F, 3-I | | |
| Help Social Services | 181 | 104 | 177 | 100-В, 10-F, 5-H, 7-I | | |
| Jefferson County Women's Center | 40 | 5 | 11 | 2-B | | |
| Safe Horizon, Inc. | 28 | 19 | 23 | 14-B, 1-C, 4-F, 1-G, 3-I | | |
| Sanctuary for Families | 56 | 96 | 122 | 108-B, 5-C, 8-F, 1-G, 1-H, 7-I | | |
| Unity House of Troy | 12 | 1 | 0 | 2-B, 1-C, 1-G, 1-H | | |
| Urban Center for Change | 117 | 53 | 90 | 65-B, 3-F, 3-H, 5-I | | |

Destination Codes:

- A Living independently in home abuser vacated
- B Living independently in new location
- C Living with family or friends
- D Returned to batterer
- E To another emergency DV residential program
- F To homeless shelter
- G To another transitional housing program
- H Other
- I Destination unknown

Appendix E

| 2003 Annual Per Diem Rate by Individual Program* | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Agency Name | Program Type | Per Diem Rates | | | | |
| A New Hope Center, Inc. | Safe Dwelling | \$64.45 | | | | |
| A New Hope Center, Inc. | Safe Home | \$28.21 | | | | |
| ACCORD Corporation | Safe Dwelling | \$64.45 | | | | |
| ACCORD Corporation | Safe Home | \$28.74 | | | | |
| Allen Women's Resource Center | DV Shelter | \$99.92 | | | | |
| Alternatives for Battered Women, Inc. | DV Shelter | \$72.67 | | | | |
| Behavioral Health Services North - Clinton | Safe Dwelling | \$64.45 | | | | |
| Behavioral Health Services North - Essex | Safe Dwelling | \$64.45 | | | | |
| Brighter Tomorrows | DV Program | \$86.08 | | | | |
| Catholic Charities of Saratoga, Warren and Washington Counties | Safe Dwelling | \$70.94 | | | | |
| Catholic Family & Children's Services of Herkimer | Safe Dwelling | \$69.32 | | | | |
| Catholic Family & Community Services of Montgomery | Safe Dwelling | \$51.76 | | | | |
| Cattaraugus Community Action | Safe Dwelling | \$64.20 | | | | |
| Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency | Safe Dwelling | \$64.45 | | | | |
| Center for the Elimination of Violence in the Family | Safe Home | \$42.24 | | | | |
| Center for the Elimination of Violence in the Family - Women's Survival Space | DV Shelter | \$82.55 | | | | |
| Center for the Elimination of Violence in the Family - Women's Safe Start | DV Shelter | \$77.87 | | | | |
| Chances & Changes, Inc. | DV Shelter | \$86.88 | | | | |
| Chenango County Catholic Charities | Safe Dwelling | \$70.94 | | | | |
| Chenango County Catholic Charities | Safe Home | \$28.74 | | | | |
| Children & Families Services of Erie County - Haven House | DV Shelter | \$68.11 | | | | |
| Children & Families Services of Erie County - Haven House | Safe Home | \$35.23 | | | | |
| Columbia-Greene Community Action - Columbia County | DV Shelter | \$82.52 | | | | |
| Columbia-Greene Community Action - Greene County | DV Shelter | \$86.88 | | | | |
| Community Action Agency of Franklin County (COMLINKS) | Safe Dwelling | \$70.94 | | | | |
| Community Action Agency of Franklin County (COMLINKS) | Safe Home | \$28.74 | | | | |
| Community Action Commission to Help the Economy (CACHE) | Safe Dwelling | \$64.45 | | | | |
| Community Services for the Developmentally Disabled | Safe Dwelling | \$105 ** | | | | |
| Delaware Opportunities, Inc. | Safe Dwelling | \$64.45 | | | | |
| Domestic Violence Services, Inc. | Safe Dwelling | \$70.94 | | | | |
| Equinox | DV Shelter | \$86.54 | | | | |
| Family & Children's Service of Niagara | Safe Dwelling | \$61.12 | | | | |
| Family & Community Services of Schoharie County | Safe Dwelling | \$70.94 | | | | |
| Family Counseling Center of Fulton County | Safe Dwelling | \$65.82 | | | | |
| Family Counseling Service of the Finger Lakes | Safe Home | \$28.74 | | | | |
| Family of Woodstock, Inc. | DV Shelter | \$86.88 | | | | |
| Food First Family Project | DV Shelter (2) | \$77.87 | | | | |
| Grace Smith House, Inc Northeast | DV Shelter | \$86.88 | | | | |
| Grace Smith House, Inc Poughkeepsie | DV Shelter | \$86.88 | | | | |
| Help Haven | DV Shelter | \$77.87 | | | | |
| Help Haven | Safe Dwelling | \$72.60 | | | | |
| Henry Street Settlement | DV Shelter | \$74.69 | | | | |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services, Inc Transition Center | Safe Dwelling | \$73.01 | | | | |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services, Inc Genesis | DV Shelter | \$77.87 | | | | |
| Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services, Inc Horizons | DV Shelter | \$77.52 | | | | |
| Lewis County Opportunities, Inc. | Safe Dwelling | \$64.45 | | | | |
| Liberty Resources, Inc. | Safe Dwelling | \$59.57 | | | | |
| My Sisters' Place, Inc Mamaroneck | DV Shelter | \$80.31 | | | | |
| My Sisters' Place, Inc Yonkers | DV Shelter | \$82.32 | | | | |
| Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence | DV Shelter | \$86.88 | | | | |
| New York Asian Women's Center | DV Shelter (2) | \$96.12 | | | | |
| New York Asian Women's Center | Safe Dwelling | \$74.78 | | | | |
| New York Asian Women's Center | Safe Home | \$74.78 | | | | |
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Appendix E

2003 Annual Per Diem Rate by Individual Program* Per Diem Rates Program Type **Agency Name** Northern Westchester Shelter **DV Shelter** \$86.88 Ohel Children's Home and Family Services Safe Dwelling \$73.08 Opportunities for Otsego, Inc. Safe Dwelling \$70.94 Orange County Safe Homes Project, Inc. Safe Home \$28.74 Orange County Safe Homes Project, Inc. **DV Shelter** \$82.32 Oswego County Opportunities, Inc. **DV Program** \$86.88 Park Slope Safe Dwelling \$73.08 Safe Home \$42.24 Park Slope Project Return Foundation, Inc. **DV Program** \$77.87 Putnam/Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center **DV Shelter** \$86.88 **DV Shelter** \$86.88 Retreat. The **DV Shelter** Rockland Family Shelter \$86.88 Rural Opportunities, Inc. Safe Dwelling \$70.94 Safe Horizon, Inc. Safe Dwelling \$73.08 Safe Home \$42.24 Safe Horizon, Inc. **DV** Shelter Safe Horizon, Inc. - Lotus House \$77.87 Safe Horizon, Inc. - Prelude (S.I Oasis) **DV Shelter** \$77.87 Safe Horizon, Inc. - Willow House **DV Shelter** \$77.87 **DV** Shelter Safe Horizon, Inc. - Sage House II \$77.87 Safe Horizon, Inc. - Ivy I **DV Shelter** \$77.87 Safe Horizon, Inc. - Ivy II **DV Shelter** \$77.87 Salvation Army of Jamestown, The **DV** Program \$75.24 Salvation Army Safehouse of Elmira, The DV Shelter \$86.88 \$73.08 Sanctuary for Families Safe Dwelling Sanctuary for Families Safe Home \$42.24 Sanctuary for Families **DV Shelter** \$96.12 S.O.S. Shelter **DV** Shelter \$84.94 St. Lawrence Valley Renewal House Safe Dwelling \$64.45 St. Lawrence Valley Renewal House Safe Home \$28.74 Steuben Church People Against Poverty, Inc. **DV Program** \$86.88 \$86.88 Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence **DV** Shelter Tompkins County Task Force for Battered Women Safe Dwelling \$70.94 Tompkins County Task Force for Battered Women Safe Home \$28.74 **DV Shelter** \$86.88 Unity House of Troy Urban Resource Institute DV Shelter (3) \$77.87 Safe Dwelling \$70.94 Vera House, Inc. **DV Program** \$86.88 Vera House, Inc. Victim Resource Center of the Finger Lakes Safe Dwelling \$64.45 Victim's Assistance Center of Jefferson County **DV Program** \$86.88 Safe Dwelling \$68.36 Violence Intervention Program Volunteers of America **DV** Shelter \$77.87 Safe Dwelling Volunteers of America \$73.08 **Wyoming County Community Action** Safe Dwelling \$70.94 **Wyoming County Community Action** Safe Home \$35.23 YWCA of Cortland Safe Dwelling \$57.29 \$28.74 YWCA of Dutchess Safe Home Safe Dwelling YWCA of Genesee County DV Project \$70.94 Safe Dwelling \$70.94 YWCA of Niagara/Lockport YWCA of Mohawk Valley Hall House **DV Program** \$86.88 Safe Dwelling \$70.94 YWCA of Mohawk Valley YWCA of Schenectady **DV** Shelter \$86.88

^{*} Rates shown for programs operating in *New York City* cover July 2002 through June 2003. Rates for programs operating in the Rest of State cover the calendar year 2003.

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